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Docket No.: 025684.114-US
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Steve Sheppard, *et al.*

Application No.: 09/525,412

Group Art Unit: 2614

Filed: March 15, 2000

Examiner: S. E. Beliveau

For: MEDIA INTERFACE DEVICE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request correction of inventorship in the above-captioned patent application pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 116 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a). The application currently identifies the inventors as Steve Sheppard and William Weeks. The application inadvertently and incorrectly failed to identify Thomas Eames and Charles Eldering as inventors also.

Applicants respectfully request correction of inventorship to add Thomas Eames and Charles Eldering as inventors, in addition to Steve Sheppard and William Weeks. Messrs. Eames and Eldering were inadvertently omitted in the original filings for this application. Their omission arose without any deceptive intent by any party.

Messrs. Sheppard, McInnis, Eames, and Eldering have assigned their entire right, title, and interest in and to the invention described and claimed in the above-captioned application to Next Level Communication, Inc. Next Level Communications, Inc., consents to the addition of Messrs. Eames and Eldering as inventors and has authorized me to grant such consent on its behalf.

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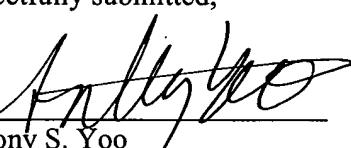
If the undersigned attorney can be of any assistance in advancing prosecution, please call him at (202) 662-6000.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740, under Docket No. 025684.114-US. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Dated: May 30, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

By 
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(2)

Sir:

I, Thomas Eames, state that the error in inventorship that resulted in my omission from identification as an inventor in the above-captioned patent application occurred without any without any deceptive intent on my part. I respectfully ask that inventorship in the application be corrected to add me as an inventor.

All statements made herein are of my own knowledge and true. I understand that that these statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18, United States Code, and that willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this patent.

Dated: May 12, 2003

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Thomas Eames



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Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following items for filing in connection with the above-referenced
Patent Application:

1. Amendment Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
2. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) (in duplicate);
3. Fee Transmittal;
4. Amendment and Response;
5. Request to Correct Inventorship;
6. Statements under 37 CFR § 1.48(a)(2) executed by inventors Charles Eldering
and Thomas Eames (two pages);
7. Declarations for Utility Patent Application (37 CFR § 1.63) (12 pages);
8. Information Disclosure Statement;
9. Form PTO/SB/08A;

10. Seven cited documents;
11. Check No. 312959 for \$290.00 to cover:
\$110.00 one month extension of time fee;
\$180.00 IDS submission fee; and
12. Return receipt postcard.

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**Docket No.
025684.114-US00

Application No. 09/525,412-Conf. #1259	Filing Date March 15, 2000	Examiner S. Beliveau	Art Unit 2614
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Applicant(s): Steven Sheppard, et al

Invention: MEDIA INTERFACE DEVICE

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
Total Claims	58	- 58 =		x	0.00
Independent Claims	8	- 8 =		x	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					
Other fee (please specify): Extension for response within first month					110.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					110.00

 Large Entity Small Entity No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____.
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ 290.00 to cover the one month extension of time fee and the IDS submission fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 50-0740 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.
Anthony S. Yoo
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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 290.00)	

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee	
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$)		0.00	

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

		Extra Claims below	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	58	-58** =		0.00
Independent Claims	8	-8** =		0.00
Multiple Dependent				

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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
SUBTOTAL (2)		(\$)		0.00

** or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

Complete if Known

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First Named Inventor	Steven Sheppard
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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053 130 Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251 55 Extension for reply within first month	110.00
1252	410	2252 205 Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253 465 Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254 725 Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255 985 Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401 160 Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402 160 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403 140 Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453 650 Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501 650 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	470	2502 235 Design issue fee	
1503	630	2503 315 Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	180.00
8021	40	8021 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	750	2809 375 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	750	2810 375 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	750	2801 375 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802 900 Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify)			
*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid		SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)	
		290.00	

SUBMITTED BY		Complete (if applicable)	
Name (Print/Type)	Anthony S. Yoo	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	45,540
Signature		Date	May 30, 2003